

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:171

ANSWERED ON:28.11.2016

Oil and Gas Conference

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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- a) whether biennial international Oil and Gas Conference and exhibition Petrotech, 2016 was held recently;
- b) if so, the details thereof along with aims and objectives of the conference;
- c) whether India has also hosted the International Energy Forum-International Gas Union Ministerial Forum recently and if so, the details thereof along with the issues discussed in the forum and outcome thereof; and
- d) the details of the countries which have participated in the said events and the Memorandum of Understanding signed during the above event?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 171 BY SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA AND SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH November, 2016 REGARDING OIL AND GAS CONFERENCE

a) & b): Petrotech-2016 has been scheduled to take place from 5th-7th December, 2016 in New Delhi under the aegis of Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas. This Conference provides a platform for overseas Ministers of oil and gas, CEOs of Indian and overseas companies and Hydrocarbon experts to discuss oil and gas related issues and mutually understand the growth potential and trends of the global oil & gas industry. The theme of this conference is "Hydrocarbons to fuel the future: Choices & Challenges". Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has consented to inaugurate the Conference on 5th December, 2016. The Conference is accompanied by an Exhibition at Pragati Maidan from Dec 4-7 showcasing a broad spectrum of upstream downstream and midstream hydrocarbon sector from over 50 countries.

c) & d): The 5th International Energy Forum-International Gas Union (IEF-IGU) Ministerial Gas Forum is scheduled to take place in New Delhi, India on 6 December 2016. 72 members of IEF are invited to participate. India is a permanent member of IEF Executive Board. The theme of the Forum is "Gas for Growth; improving economic prosperity and living standards". Alongwith Ministers of member countries of IEF, CEOs and Hydrocarbon experts are also invited to participate in the Forum.